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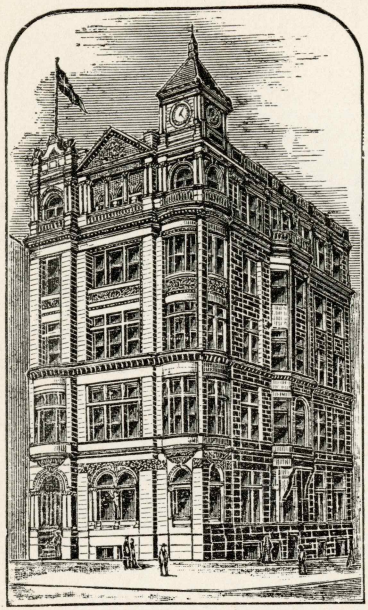

COMPANY'S HEAD OFFICE BUILDING.

INCOME
for year ending 31st December, 1897..... $2,238,894.74

ASSETS
at 31st Dec., 1897... 7,322,371.44

SURPLUS
over all Liabilities, except Capital (according to Dominion Government standard) 688,272.00

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L. H. PACKARD.

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GEO. LAMB.

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Term expires May 1st, 1901.

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C. K. CALHOUN - - - - - - - - - - - } *Assistant Secretaries.*

A. MACKELLAR. - - - - - - - - - - - }

W. H. BALL - - - - - - - - - - - - - *Physical Director.*

WORKING ORGANIZATION.

The following list of Committees shows how the working force of the Association, numbering about one hundred and fifty men, is organized. A list of the names of the Committeemen is published in a separate pamphlet, a copy of which may be obtained on application at the office.

BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

Executive, Vacancies, Finance, Debt Fund, Membership.

RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT.

A General Committee in charge of the whole Department and Special Committees for the following items :—Young Men's Meeting, Young Men's Bible Study, Bible Study Courses, Sunday Morning Bible Class, Men's Meeting, Hospital Work.

SOCIAL DEPARTMENT.

A General Committee for the Department and Special Committees for the Evening Reception work and the Strangers' Tea.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

A General Committee in charge of the Evening Classes, Library and Reading-room.

PHYSICAL DEPARTMENT.

A General Committee for the Department, a corps of Leaders who assist in conducting the Gymnasium Classes, and Special Committees on each of the following items of the department :—Cycling, Bowling, Hockey, Tennis, Basket Ball, Permanent Camp and Current Camp, Camera Club.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

This Department has its own separate organization. Its work is supervised by a General Executive Committee, composed of the Officers of the Department and seven members of the Senior Department of the Association.

Our Pressing Needs.

1. The balance of $20,000 required to complete the extinction of the Mortgage Debt on the Building. The Directors are pledged to pay this amount before December, 1899.

2. Seven thousand Dollars for the establishment of a Branch Building at Point St. Charles. The Grand Trunk Railway has promised $4,000 and a lot on condition that the Association provides the above-named amount,—the Building to be used in common by the Railway employes and the other young men of that important section of the City.

3. An endowment Fund for the increase of our Library. We have 4,000 volumes, and we should have at least 10,000. No Library in the City is as largely used in proportion to its size. Because the wise direction of the reading of young men is so important a matter, we trust that some of our friends will respond to this appeal.

4. An Endowment Fund for the supervision and extension of the educational work of the Association. This is very important, as it most directly enables young men to help themselves.

Form of Bequest.

I hereby bequeath to the Young Men's Christian Association of the City of Montreal, a corporation duly established under the laws of the Province of Quebec, the sum of ..... Dollars, and the receipt of the Treasurer thereof shall be a sufficient discharge to my Executors for the same.

The Forty-seventh Annual Meeting of the Association was held on Thursday evening, May 19th, at 8 o'clock, the President, Mr. H. B. Ames, in the chair.

After devotional exercises the President called on Mr. D. A. Budge, the Secretary, to read his Annual Report. Reports of Committees were also presented as follows :—

Finance, ...	H. J. MUDGE.
Young Men's Debt Fund, ..	ALEX. ARTHUR.
Membership, ...	C. W. BROWN.
Educational, ...	DR. W. F. HAMILTON.
Reading-room and Library, ..	J. MACDONALD OXLEY.
Young Men's Meeting, ...	L. A. WINTER.
Young Men's Bible Study, ..	A. MACKELLAR.
Bible Courses, ...	ALEX. ARTHUR.
Hospital Work, ...	GEO. T. WOODLEY.
Social, ...	C. K. CALHOUN.
Reception	W. A. GANDLE.
Strangers' Tea, ...	GEO. COMRIE.
Physical, ...	JNO. W. ROSS.
Junior, ...	W. E. CUSHING.
McConaughy Fund.	W. F. CHAPMAN.
Railway Branch, Point St. Charles,	W. Y. REID.

On motion of Mr. L. H. Packard, seconded by Mr. A. W. Payne, the reports, as read, were adopted and ordered to be published for circulation among the members and subscribers.

The following notice of motion, as presented at the previous Annual Meeting, was read :—

Resolved: That the following clause be added to Section 4 of Article I of the By-Laws of the Association: "Any member who, after the passing of this amendment, pays the Full Membership Fee for twelve consecutive years (and always renews his membership within one month of its expiration), shall be entitled to full privileges for life, provided that no cause arises which would render him ineligible to admission as a member."

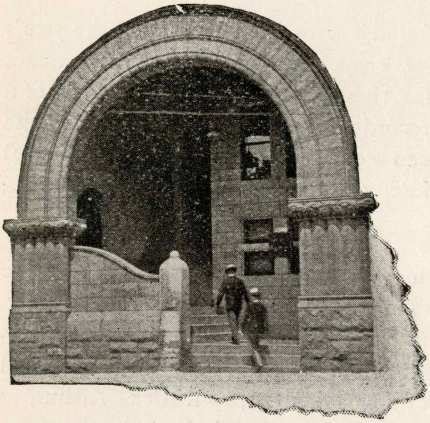
On motion of Mr. C. W. Brown, seconded by Mr. Wm. Drysdale, this amendment was adopted.

The following gentlemen were nominated as Directors for the three years ending May 1st, 1901 :—Messrs. D. W. Ross, Chas. T. Williams, J. W. Knox, D. Bentley, H. B. Ames, G. H. Harrower and C. E. Gault. No other nominations being offered, these gentlemen were unanimously elected.

A resolution of thanks to the city press for gratuitous notices, etc., was carried, and it was ordered that a telegram be sent to Mr. T. Duncan Patton, Secretary of the Winnipeg Association, congratulating him on the inauguration of their Building movement.

The meeting adjourned after devotional exercises.

Forty-Seventh Annual Report.



This building for Montreal's young men has stood with its doors open daily during the past year from 7 A. M. until 10 P.M. as an expression of the religion of Jesus Christ and the intelligent and unselfish interest felt by the business men and citizens of this community in its young men. "A city's greatest asset is its young men." The Young Men's Christian Association enters the field in order to reach and save these young men and better equip them to fill their places as business men and citizens.

The history of the Association shows that it has wisely adapted itself to the needs of the various classes of young men. While thus keeping abreast of the times we must never lose sight of the fact that the power and permanent usefulness of the Association does not depend upon the greatness of its numbers or the variety of its work, but upon its adherence to this foundation principle, viz: that each member should seek by direct and indirect effort in the sphere of his daily calling to bring his fellow young men under helpful christian influences, and, in the end, to a loyal surrender of their lives to the Saviour of the world.

In entering on the forty-eighth year of the work we would emphasize this first principle which called the parent Association into existence in 1844, and urge each of our active members to use his influence with the young men of his own acquaintance with whom he works and spends his leisure hours, and we must ever judge of the success and usefulness of the Association by this standard.

The reports to be presented will show how the work in the following departments has been prosecuted :—Finance, Membership, Building Fund, Religious, Social and Reception, Educational, Physical, Junior, Summer Camp, Reading Room and Library, Hospital, Employment, Foreign Work, &c. This amount of work has only been possible through the large volunteer force of men on the various committees who have so cheerfully devoted their time and effort to this end. The Directors take this opportunity of thanking these committee-men for their valuable assistance.

Appended to this report will be found a statistical summary of the year's work. Statistics, however, cannot serve as a substitute for personal contact and observation. The influence for righteousness, which has been of a personal nature, cannot easily be recorded. Eternity will show that the largest part of this good work has been accomplished through the individual efforts of the members and their intercourse with the young men in the Association building.

The Property. At the beginning of the year the Directors faced the loss of a tenant occupying the larger part of two floors in the building. This made our position very serious. But, in answer to prayer, what was a great loss has already begun to turn out for the best. The financial difficulty thus involved led one of our members, Mr. Alex. Arthur, to propose that a Committee of the young men, acting independently of the Directors, should secure one hundred men from among the members who would endeavor to raise $100 each before November, 1899, toward the extinction of the mortgage debt of $50,000 on the building. Their report will speak for itself. It was the statement of their voluntary action in the Board meeting last November which decided the Directors to make the attempt to clear off the *whole* indebtedness. At the present time $28,000 has been subscribed toward the amount being raised by the Board of Directors, and it is hoped that this canvass may be continued and completed during the year. The first payment of $10,000 on the reduction of the mortgage debt will be made on June 1st. Thus what seemed to be a most serious problem will turn out for the best interest of the Association.

Third and Fourth Floors. The Directors decided to alter the fourth floor and part of the third floor so as to provide rooms for members, thus devoting the building entirely to the purpose for which it was erected. On February first the changes on the fourth floor were completed and all the rooms on that floor are now occupied. On June first the changes on

the third floor will be completed. Altogether this will give accommodation for thirty-seven young men and also provide a set of four splendid class-rooms for the Educational Department. The cost of these improvements and furnishings will be about $6500. The revenue to be derived from these floors will justify the expenditure, besides making the fullest and most satisfactory use of the property of the Association.

Finance. It is essential to the success of an Association that its financial affairs should be carefully administered. Such has been the Finance Committee's aim this year. In view of the shrinkage in revenue the work of the Association was necessarily curtailed. In this connection the Directors cannot speak too highly of the arduous and self-denying efforts of the Finance Committee, which make it possible in the face of such difficulties to close the year with all bills paid for current expenses. This result was only attained through the generous action of several of our Directors. For this we would express our gratitude to God, as well as for his never-failing care through all these years.

The Staff. The Association sustained a great loss through the resignation, owing to ill-health, of Mr. W. F. Chapman in June last. We are glad to know that the year spent in rest and out-door work has caused a hopeful improvement. His place was filled by Mr. Archie Mackellar, one of the workers who came up through the Physical Department. Mr. Alex. R. Ross succeeded Mr. Ellerbeck in charge of the Library.

Bequests. On March 24th we received $1800 from the Executors of the estate of the late Robert Anderson. We are also notified that $500 has been bequeathed to the Association by the late W J. Withall, and will be payable this year. By the will of the late W. B. Hamilton $1000 was bequeathed to the Association but has not yet been paid. May we suggest to those who have the best interests of young men at heart that in following these examples they may provide a fund which will be speaking in words and deeds of kindness through future years.

Railway Branch. The work for Railway Men at Point St. Charles has been affiliated with the Association and will be reported upon to-night. A promising work has been carried on throughout the year with a Secretary in charge during the evenings. This, we hope, will soon develop into a broad work, with extended privileges, including the young men in that important section of the city.

D. L. Moody. Through its Religious Work Committee the Association secured two visits during the year from Mr. D. L. Moody, and during his visits daily meetings were held in St. James Methodist Church which were of the greatest benefit to the spiritual life of the city. The Association also planned Mr. Moody's tour through the important towns and cities of Ontario and Manitoba.

The **Bible Class Work** for the past year has been a most encouraging feature, five classes having been held each week with excellent results. It is only as the Word of God is kept in the fore-front that men will be developed so as to take a permanent, unselfish and unflagging interest in the highest welfare of their fellows.

In addition to the regular religious meetings of the Association an added gathering has been held on Sunday evenings after the church services. This Song Service has become popular, and will fill an important place in the Sunday evening life of many members and others. It is largely attended by those who room in the building.

Summer Camp. The Permanent Camp Committee has made progress in securing additional islands in Lac St. Joseph, Ste. Agathe, and adding a building so that members can have the option of living in tents or buildings. The Camp promises to prove more popular than ever.

Foreign Work. The Association members still continue their interest in the less favored young men of India. The most encouraging reports come from our representative in India, Mr. David McConaughy, and the building at Madras is now completed. We are greatly favored in having the opportunity of co-operating through such a consecrated and able representative. Two of our members have, during the past year, gone to the foreign field: Dr. Percy C. Leslie to China, on behalf of the Canadian Presbyterian Board, and Mr. Kristen Borup to Africa, under the direction of the Church Missionary Society. We regret to learn that Rev. Thos. H. Allan, who went to Africa, has fallen a victim to fever. We hope that each year may see some of our members offering themselves for the foreign field.

Outlook for Next Year. New Developments.

1. We need a young man who can give his entire time to the *Junior Department.* Some of the best and most promising workers in our Association to-day have come from the Junior ranks. The peculiar nature and

importance of their work demands better supervision than in the past. We will ask the Finance Committee for a suitable man for at least nine months of the year.

2. We will ask for a special committee to develop our present Bible work on more thorough and comprehensive lines, say the establishment of a "*Lay-Workers' Bible Institute*" for the training of Sunday-School Teachers and lay christian workers, and affording them an opportunity for a more thorough and systematic study of the Bible. Such an institute would be exceedingly helpful to churches and Sunday-Schools, and to other departments of philanthropic and religious work. With the facilities afforded in our building we hope to see this inaugurated next fall.

3. **Better Social Work.** We have not succeeded in making the best use of the social opportunities afforded by this building. We hope to place this matter in the hands of a wise committee whom we will ask to work it out on broader lines.

4. **An Association Paper.** The financial difficulty was the chief reason for suspending the issue of the "Association Record" last year. This must not occur another year. Our inability to keep members and subscribers fully informed as to the work of the building was a great loss. We will ask for an appropriation to meet this expense and a special Committee to take charge of the issue of the paper, so as to relieve the office as far as possible.

5. **Athletic Grounds.** We need the use of recreation grounds for our summer work. If this could be secured, with a water front where swimming and boating privileges could be had, it would be a great addition to the membership privileges.

We deeply regret having to record the death of the following subscribers and members during the year :—

F. W. Fairman, a member since 1874.
L. H Pignolet,
Dr. John Gentles,
Andrew Joyce,
A. E. Wethey,
G. C. King,
W. J. Withall,
A. T. Wiley,
Alex. Ewan.
Dr. R. C. Kirkpatrick,
J. R. Clogg,
R. R. Grindley,
W. J. Vaughan,
Herbert Clarke,
Rev. Jno. Nichols,
Robert Benny,
Major R. J. Evans.

D. A. BUDGE,
Secretary.

FINANCE.

Continuous and careful supervision has been given to the financial affairs of the Association. At the beginning of the year the "estimates" were cut in each department so as to effect a saving of $1168.00 over last year's expenditure. This was rendered necessary in view of the reduction in revenue from rental of $2500.00. The following estimates were made for the Committee's guidance :—

Estimated receipts from subscriptions		$6,400 00
Actual " " "		6,779.01
Increase		379.01
Estimated receipts from membership fees	6,500.00	
Actual " " " "	6,114.00	
Shortage	386.00	
Estimated receipts for rentals		4,000.00
Actual " "		3,701.00
Shortage		$299.00

(The revenue from rental the previous year was $6,000.)

The regular subscriptions secured by the Finance Committee were over $600 in excess of last year. This does not include the special subscription of $900 which was made by the Directors and friends. The regular subscriptions can be classified as follows :—

10	at $ 1.00	3	at $ 30.00
34	" 2.00	2	" 40.00
8	" 3.00	4	" 50.00
2	" 4.00	1	" 60.00
250	" 5.00	1	" 75.00
1	" 6.00	8	" 100.00
152	" 10.00	1	" 125.00
8	" 15.00	1	" 200.00
12	" 20.00	1	" 250.00
44	" 25.00	1	" 350.00

The amount expended for alterations and equipments on the third and fourth floors will be about $6,000. This is not included in the financial statement submitted, but is carried as a special fund, which it is hoped to reduce annually on the completion of these alterations. It is expected that the Association will have an earning power from rentals equal to its former revenue.

Through the generosity of our regular subscribers, and the special subscriptions of several Directors and friends, this year has been closed as usual with all bills paid.

H. J. MUDGE,

Chairman.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

CURRENT EXPENSE FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 30th, 1898.

Receipts.

On hand, May 1st, 1897	$ 2.65	
Membership Fees	6,114.42	
Lockers	560.00	
Subscriptions, Regular	6,779.01	
" Special	900.00	
" " for Evangelistic Work	170.00	
		14,546.08

Payments.

Salaries and Wages	6,888.27	
Light, Proportion of,	742.33	
Heat, " "	419.33	
Water " "	400.00	
Insurance on Library and Furniture	25.00	
Interest	104.87	
Repairs, Renewals and Furnishings	829.24	
Printing, Advertising and Stationery	464.80	
Postage	266.49	
Religious Department	228.04	
Social "	145.06	
Physical "	384.08	
Junior "	217.65	
Educational "	824.51	
Library and Reading Room	220.15	
Subscription to International Committee	100 00	
Sundries	282.96	
	12,572.22	
Contribution toward Property Account	1,967.60	
		14,539.82
Balance on hand		$6.26

PROPERTY ACCOUNT.

Receipts.

Rents		3,701.97	
Contribution from Current Expenses		1,967.60	
			5,669.57

Payments.

Interest on Mortgage		2,297.52	
Insurance on Building		340.00	
Taxes		490.00	
Proportion of Salaries and Wages		900.00	
Elevator—Wages	300.00		
Water	430.00		
Repairs and Sundries	87.10		
Insurance	26.66		
		843.76	
Proportion of Light		378.96	
" Heat		419.33	
			$5,669.57

Audited and verified.

P. S. ROSS & SONS,

JUNE 15th, 1898. *Chartered Accountants.*

SUBSCRIPTIONS.

The following list includes no membership fees except those paid by Sustaining Members, who are indicated by an asterisk (*). A large number of Full and Limited Members pay their fee simply as a recognition of their interest in the work, but it is impossible to indicate them without publishing the membership roll, for which we have not space. They will please accept our most hearty thanks.

Agnew, Wm., & Co...	$5.00
Aitken, Mrs. M... ...	5.00
Alexander, Chas.....	10.00
Alexander, James.....	5.00
Allan, Hugh A.....	25.00
Allan, H. Montagu....	10.00
Ames, H. B. (special).	25 00
Andrews, Bell & Co...	10.00
Angus, R. B	25.00
Archibald, Jno..	25.00
Armstrong, Dr. Geo. E.	5.00
Armstrong, Wm	2.00
*Arthur, Alex	10.00
WGB *Auld, R. S.	10.00
Ault, Dr. Chas.....	5.00
Austin & Robertson...	10.00
Ayer, A. A., & Co....	100.00
*Babcock, C. S.....	10.00
Babcock & Son.....	10.00
Badger, F.H.	3.00
Baile, A	10.00
*Bailey, W. T.	10.00
Baillie, A	1.00
*Baillie, Jno	10.00
Baker, J. C	5.00
Balfour, J. Hutton,...	5.00
*Ball, W. H	10.00
Bank of Toronto	40.00
*Barker, E. H.	10.00
Barnard & Holland...	5.00
Barr, F. H....	2.00
Bartlett-Frazier Co...	10.00
Bastian, A. H...	2.00
Baylis, Jas...	5.00
Bazin, Dr. J A.	2.00
Beardmore & Co.....	5.00
Becket, R. A.....	5.00
Beckham, Hugh.....	10.00
Beckwith, Jas	2.20
Belding, Paul & Co...	25.00
*Bell, J. Ritchie.....	10.00
Bell, Simpson & Co...	10.00
Benson, G. F.....	5.00
Bentley, D.....	10.00
Binmore, Thos.....	5.00
Birkett, Dr. H. S.....	5.00
Birks, Corner & Co....	10.00
*Birks, G. W...	10.00
Birks, Henry & Sons..	75.00
*Birks, W. M.....	25.00
Bishop, A F.	2.00
Bishop, G. H.....	5.00
*Black, Jno. P.....	10.00
Blaiklock, Geo. H. E.	5.00
Bond, Major E. L....	5.00
Borland, W. F..	25.00
Borland, W. F., '96-'97	25.00
Botterell, E. H.....	5.00
Boulter, Geo	5.00
Bovril, Limited.....	10.00
Bowes, A.	5.00
Boyd, W. E	15 00
Braidwood, F...	5.00
Brainerd, T. C..	25.00
Brayley, Sons & Co...	5.00
Bremner, A.....	5.00
Brodie & Harvie.....	10.00
Brophy, Cains & Co..	5.00
Brophy, Cains & Co., '96-'97.....	5.00
Brown, C. J.....	5.00
*Brown, C. W..... ...	10.00
Brown, Geo. S.....	2.00
Brown, Jonathan.....	10.00
Brown, T. B.	10.00
Browne, Dr. A. A.....	10.00
*Bruce, Alex	10.00
Brush, Geo. S	5.00
Bryson, R. H...	5.00
Buchan, J. S.	5.00
Buchanan, R. H.....	15.00
Budden, H. A	5.00
*Budge, D. A..... .	10.00
Burke, David.....	5.00
Butze, A.	5.00
Cadwallader, R. M....	6.00
Caldwell, John	5.00
*Calhoun, C. K	10.00
Cameron, Hugh	5.00
Campbell, A. S..	10.00
Campbell, D. & Son ..	5.00
Campbell, D. W.... .	25.00
Campbell, Kenneth C.	5.00
Campbell, Miss.....	10.00
Campbell, Miss K. M.	10.00
Canada Paint Co.....	10.00
Canada Paper Co.....	25.00
Canadian Bank of Commerce.....	25.00
Carnegie, J. H... ...	10 00
*Carsley, W. F.	10.00
Carsley, S.....	50.00
Carson, John.	5.00
Carter, Galbraith & Co.	5.00
Cassils, Chas	5.00
Castle & Son..... ...	10.00
Castle, W. T. (special)	5.00
Cayford, J. H..	5.00
*Chapman, W. H.....	10.00
*Charlton, R. L..	10.00
Chase & Sanborn.	10.00
Cheney, G	10.00
Cheney, W. G.....	25.00
Childs, Geo. A...	5.00
Clarke, C. O	5.00
Cleghorn, J. P.....	5.00
Cohen, L. & Son.....	2.00
Common, W. J	10.00
*Cooper, Frank..	15.00
Cooper, Wm.....	10.00
Coristine, Jas.....	10 00
Corse, Mrs. N. B.....	5.00
Cottingham, W. H....	10.00
*Court, W. B	10.00
Covernton, C. J	2.00
Cowan, Jno	3.00
Cox, Jno.	25.00
*Coyle, E. J	10.00
Craik, Dr. R..	5.00
Cramp, Geo. B..	5.00
Crathern & Caverhill..	25.00
Crawford, Jno..	10.00
*Creak, Geo..... ...	10.00
*Cresswell, D. T.....	10.00
Cross, Mrs	20.00
Cross, Selkirk..... ...	5.00
Cumming, A. C	10 00
Currie, Jas.	5.00
Currie, W. & F. P., & Co..... ...	10.00
Cushing, Chas	10.00
Cutter, S. M.....	10.00
Date, Jno.	5.00
Davidson, Thos.....	5.00
Davidson, Peters.....	1.00
Davis, C. W....	50.00
Davis & Lawrence Co.	10.00
Davis, M.	5.00
Dawson, W. V.....	10.00
Detlefs, G. H.....	8.00
Dillon, Jno.	25.00
Dillon, Jno. ('96-97) ,..	10.00
Dougall, C. H..	3.00
Doull & Gibson.....	5.00
Dowker, McIntosh & Co.	10.00
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MEMBERSHIP.

Last year a Membership Contest was held, which resulted in the addition of over six hundred members. This was phenomenal. The Committee deemed it unwise to hold a similar contest this year. The appointment of the Debt Fund Committee in November last took some of the best membership workers from this Committee. These facts in part account for the shrinkage in members as reported.

469 new members joined during the year. The detailed statement is as follows :—

	No.		Fees.	
Junior	157		$434.	
Limited	278			
Full	962			
Sustaining	70		5,675.42	
		1,467		$6,109.42
Life and Honorary	23			
Pastors	94			
Subscribers	112			
Total		1,696		

Active.	Associate.
616	694

It seems a small request to ask that each member interests himself to secure one or more new members. Many do it now. But if one-half our members would respond the usefulness of the Association could be increased tenfold. Some suggestions to note and follow :—

1. Send or leave your name and address of a prospective member at the office.

2. Invite young men who come as strangers to the city to visit the Building. Make an appointment to meet them. Introduce them at the office.

3. Name a list of the young men in your church, or among your acquaintance, and leave it at the office. Printed matter will be sent and the Committee will make personal canvass.

4. Be frank to make suggestions concerning the present plans and possible development of the work. This will be welcomed by and carefully considered by the Committee.

C. W. BROWN,
Chairman.

DAVID McCONAUGHY FUND STATEMENT.

On hand May 1st, 1897	$134 80
Envelope contributions by 83 Members of the Association	315 91
Subscriptions by the Directors of the Association	647 00
	$1097 71

DISBURSEMENTS.

Sent International Committee for Mr. McConaughy	$868 00	
Postage	4 60	
On hand	225 11	$1097 71

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YOUNG MEN'S DEBT FUND.

In November last the idea was conceived that the debt of over $50,000 remaining on our building should be wiped out and that the young men should undertake $10,000 of the amount, to be raised by getting one hundred of our active members to collect one hundred dollars each within two years. With this object in view a meeting was at once called which appointed a committee to select a Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary. These officers, together with two auditors, were appointed, and a committee of ten was formed to take charge of the undertaking. One hundred collecting books were secured and the canvass started. We have much pleasure in stating that all of the books have been placed and $2,725 pledged. This has meant a large amount of work for the committee, which has met every Tuesday evening since its formation for prayer and conference.

We wish to thank all who have assisted in the effort and solicit the co-operation and sympathy of all our members in this work. Much remains to be done before we get the amount which the Committee is determined to raise within the time mentioned or earlier if possible.

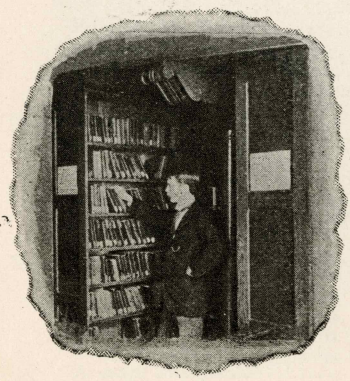
We believe that we have so far had the help and guidance of our Heavenly Father, and are assured that we shall have it till this work is accomplished.

ALEX. ARTHUR,
Chairman.

READING ROOM and LIBRARY.

The Reading Room tables are furnished with 153 papers and magazines. This list contains Daily, Weekly, Monthly, Quarterly publications. 108 of these are purchased at a cost of $245.05, and 45 are donated by the publishers. We are pleased to notice an increasing attendance of members who regularly use this important educational bureau.

The use of the Reading Room by strangers and non-members is also increasing each year.



We would suggest to the new Committee the advisability of securing duplicate copies of some of the leading magazines and placing them on the tables in the Parlors for the use of members only. This would increase the use of the Parlors by the members and relieve the pressure on the Reading Room.

The Library has been very largely used in proportion to the number of volumes on the shelves. 6,590 books have been drawn by 793 different members.

65 books have been added by purchase and 45 by gift; the names and donors are here added. We trust our members will keep the Association Library in their mind for donation

of books or money. We should have at least 10,000 volumes. There are 556 books in the Reference Library.

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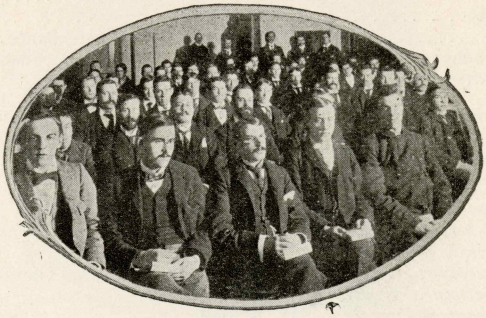


EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

Courses were arranged for in 12 subjects. 352 different members took advantage of this opportunity and continued the work throughout the six months. The total enrolment was 455. The total number of lessons was 399, with a total attendance of 9,115. The following is a detailed statement of the results obtained in the various classes :—

ASSOCIATION COUNCIL.—Teacher : Mr. H. B. Ames, B.A.

Enrolment	25
Lessons	21
Total attendance	274
Average attendance	13

FIRST AID TO THE INJURED.—Teacher : Mr. W. H. Ball, Jr.

Lessons	17
Average attendance	10.4
Total attendance	177

COMMERCIAL LAW.—Teacher : Mr. A. Rives Hall, B.A., B.C.L.

Enrolment	13
Lessons	15
Total attendance	86
Average attendance	5.7

ORCHESTRA.—Teacher : Mr. Chas. Reichling.

Enrolment	25
Lessons	23
Total attendance	327
Average attendance	14

MECHANICAL DRAWING.—Teacher : J. T. Gardham.

Enrolment	26
Lessons	47
Total attendance	719
Average attendance	15.2

BOOKKEEPING.—Teacher : Mr. J. Walker.

Enrolment	59
Lessons	48
Total attendance	1572
Average attendance	32.7

PENMANSHIP.—Teacher : Mr. Jas. Walker.

Enrolment	39
Lessons	22
Total attendance	441
Average attendance	20

ENGLISH.—Teacher : Mr. Isaac Gammell, B.A.

Enrolment	27
Lessons	23
Total attendance	340
Average attendance	14.7

ARCHITECTURAL DRAWING.—Teacher : Mr. W. M. Perrin.

Enrolment	9
Lessons	46
Total attendance	257
Average attendance	5.5

ARITHMETIC —Teacher : Mr. Isaac Gammell, B.A.

Enrolment	56
Lessons	44
Total attendance	1347
Average attendance	30.6

PHONOGRAPHY.—Teachers : Messrs. J. P. McDonald and R. S. Wright.

Enrolment	51
Lessons	47
Total attendance	1170
Average attendance	24.8

FRENCH.—Teacher : Comte G. des Etangs.

Enrolment	108
Lessons	46
Total attendance	2405
Average attendance	52.2

Ninety-nine members attended 85% of the class sessions and earned their deposits. Seventy-one members took the International Examinations, and of this number the following twenty-three obtained over 75% of the possible marks given by the International Committee Examiners in New York : —

Advanced Arithmetic: Hy. Russell.
Elementary Book-keeping: Geo. A. Copland, Wm. Murdock, J. E. Philp, H. C. Sissons, H. C. Tattersall.
Advanced Book-keeping: J. A. Chouinard, Myer Crown, James Gamble.
Elementary Architectural Drawing: G. H. W. Birch.
Elementary Mechanical Drawing: Hy. Russell.
Advanced Mechanical Drawing: J. S. Bowden.
Elementary Hygiene: J. R. Adam, W. M. Beall, T. W. C. Binns, P. A. Boivin, W. N. Cunningham, B. F. Foster, W. L. Moran, C. S. Paterson, A. E. Smaill.
Advanced English: Wm. Roberts.
Association City Council: W. A. Doig.

BIBLE STUDY COURSES.

Tuesday evenings from October to April were set apart for special courses of Bible study, and three successful classes were held ; Mr. Budge conducted one class, studying the Gospel of St. John ; Mr. Calhoun conducted another, studying an outline of the Old Testament, and Mr. Ball conducted a third class, studying the life of Christ. The total average attendance at these classes was 35.

On Sunday morning at 9.45 a class was also held for beginners in Bible study, conducted by Mr. Calhoun, which had an average attendance of about 18.

The results of these courses of study have been very satisfactory ; several of the members have expressed their sense of the value of these classes in promoting the more thorough and systematic study of the Bible.

The Committee would suggest that this work be continued next season on even broader and more comprehensive lines. The men who are interested in Bible study on these special lines ought to look forward by united action to the formation of a Bible study club, or organization of some kind that would plan for the conduct of each year's work. Still greater results would be attained.

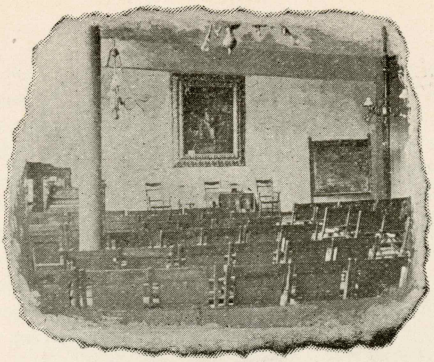
A. ARTHUR,
Chairman.

HOSPITAL WORK.

The work of visitation in the various Hospitals has been continued with much profit throughout the year. A Sunday morning service for the patients has been held each week in the wards of the Western Hospital, and has, we have great reason to believe, been a means of blessing to many. We have also held a Sunday afternoon service in the Homœpathic Hospital each week, from April to October, while the Theological Colleges are closed.

The Sunday morning service in the chapel at the General Hospital has been discontinued on account of the difficulty experienced in getting any considerable number of the patients to attend at that hour. The distance of the chapel from the wards also deterred many of the patients from attending.

N. V. McLEOD,
Chairman.



YOUNG MEN'S MEETING.

Meetings have been held every Saturday evening during the year, with the exception of Christmas, when an appropriate morning service was substituted, and on New Year's the regular meeting being postponed on account of the Annual Reception on that day. The meetings have been well attended throughout the entire year, the average attendance being 63. A pleasing feature of the meeting has been the attendance of a number of men from outside the city.

From the many bright and cheerful testimonies heard at our meetings, we believe men are being helped and encouraged in the christian life.

The Committee are deeply indebted to Mr. Ball for his valuable assistance in leading the singing, but we feel the need of a number of young men to assist him, and thus make the meetings more bright and helpful.

LEWIS A. WINTER,
Chairman.

YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS.

Your Committee have much pleasure in submitting the following report for the year just closed :—

The attendance at the class for the season was 3988, an average of 77 per Sunday ; the largest attendance being on January 9th—120 ; and the smallest on June 20th – 40.

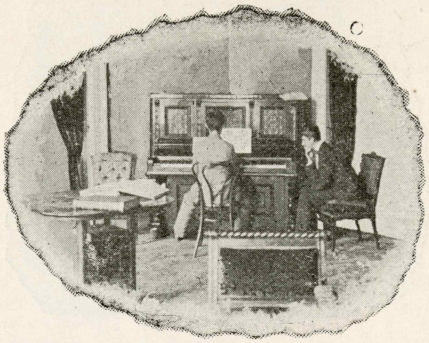
During the Summer months we followed a short course of topical studies, and in the Fall started a biographical course on the lives of the three great apostles—Peter, John, and Paul—which have been very helpful and interesting, the blackboard and map having been used through the course.

On January 9th the Annual Class Tea was held, at which there were about 130 present, including a number of the older members who had gone out from the Class to other branches of christian work, and who gave splendid testimonies of the training they received while in the Class. The Tea was one of the most successful ever held. One of the pleasant features was the presentation of a handsome writing desk to Mr. W. T. Walmsley, who has so faithfully performed the duty of Organist for the Class for so many years.

Through our monthly collection we have been able to defray the expense of printing and other items, and to send a delegate from the Class to the Inter-Provincial Convention held at Brantford in January.

We desire to thank the following gentlemen who have led the Class during Mr. Budge's absence—Mr. John Currie, Rev. E. Scott, Mr. C. K. Calhoun and Mr. W. H. Ball. We also had the pleasure of having Mr. Webster, one of the Keswick Brethren, lead us for one Sunday, which was greatly enjoyed.

A. MACKELLAR,
Chairman.



SOCIAL WORK.

The Social Committee had charge of the arrangements for the Annual Socials in the Building this year as in former years. These comprised :—

1. The Opening Fall Reception on October 5th, when a very fine musical programme was given through the kindness of Mr. Ernest Kerr, Organist, and the Choir of Olivet Baptist Church. Refreshments were served through the kind provision of the ladies of St Gabriel, Sherbrooke Street and Chalmer's Churches.

2. An informal reception to new members on the evening of November 5th, when an enjoyable programme was given and refreshments served at the close.

3. The New Year's Reception on New Year's afternoon and evening. The Building was tastefully decorated for the occasion. A series of events was arranged in the Gymnasium, but the chief interest centred in the Basket Ball Match between the Business Men and the Office Staff. The evening programme in the Association Hall was thoroughly enjoyed. Our hearty thanks are due to the ladies who so kindly looked after the refreshments in the afternoon.

4. The Closing Reception was held on Tuesday evening, April 19th, when a very pleasant evening was spent by a large number of the members and their friends. The ladies of St. Paul's, Dominion Square, and Crescent Street Churches, provided the refreshments, and have our hearty thanks.

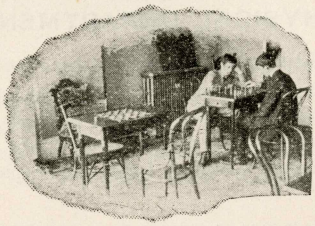
The Committee would like to express its sense of obligation to all the friends whose kind assistance on the various programmes and otherwise contributed to the pleasure and success of these social occasions.

C. K. CALHOUN,
For the Committee.

STRANGERS' TEA.

Your Committee wish to report that five Strangers' teas were held during the year, in the months of September, October, November, December and February. All young men, of whose recent arrival in the city the Association had learned, were invited. The teas were usually held on the first Sunday evening of the month at 5.15 p.m., and were presided over by different members of the Board of Directors. After tea each young man present introduced himself, and this enabled every one present to get acquainted. A pleasant hour was then spent in singing, and the occasion was brought to a close by the reading of a passage of Scripture and prayer. The young men present were very ready in expressing their appreciation of the kindness shown them, and we believe that many of them have been helped and that all have been led to see the benefit of the Association, especially to a young man coming as a stranger to the city.

GEO. J. COMRIE,
Chairman.



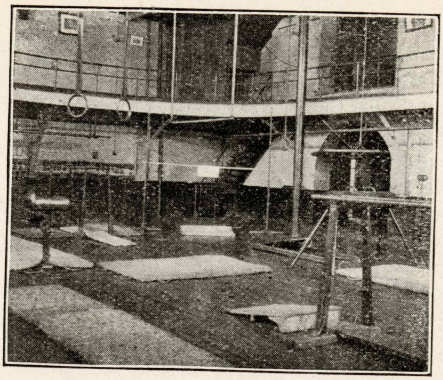
EVENING RECEPTION.

The evening reception work has been carried on throughout the year and the committee has endeavored to keep at least one man on duty each evening to welcome strangers, show them through the building and take an interest in their welfare. Considerable difficulty has been found in obtaining workers for this committee, which is very much to be regretted, as it affords one of the most pleasant and useful spheres of work within the reach of the Association. It is to be hoped that during this year upon which we are entering we shall see many of the older workers in the Association taking active work on this committee. Our building has a bright appearance on the outside, but unless we can extend an open hand and make it bright inside by our workers taking a personal interest in the hundreds of young men that visit it every evening, it will largely fail in its object.

W. A. GANDLE,
Chairman.

EMPLOYMENT.

Applications for employment were fyled with us by 520 young men. Seventy of these obtained situations through the Association, and many others were assisted in their efforts in this direction.



PHYSICAL DEPARTMENT.

Comparing the work with previous years, we have to repeat that while in some branches the interest has diminished, in others there has been a marked increase. Amongst the former may be mentioned the Bowling Club, Snow-shoe Club. and from lack of suitable grounds the Lacrosse, Football and Base-ball Clubs, while in the Tennis Club, Hockey Club, and the Summer Camp at Lake St. Joseph, great activity has been manifested.

BASKET BALL.—Basket Ball has been popular as ever. A Tournament of five teams, composed of 47 players, was formed and won by the "Stars," with a record of seven games won and one lost, and the closeness of the contest is shown by the fact that three teams tied for second place. Exhibition Games were played on New Year's Day, and on the evening of the closing Reception. Tournaments were also formed amongst Juniors with twenty-five players, and amongst the boys with sixty-five players.

TENNIS CLUB.—The Tennis Club adopted the challenge system for the ranking of players with a great deal of interest, and a tournament was commenced but not completed at the close of the season. The lot adjoining the building will be in good shape for Tennis, and we hope to see a large number of members playing the game.

LEADERS' CLASS.—The Leaders' Class is composed of sixteen members, who meet each week under Mr. Ball's direction for practice. They also make a study of physiology, assist in the examinations, and act as judges for the graded examinations and of the championship contests. There is also a leaders' class of ten school boys and five junior leaders.

HOCKEY CLUB.—The Hockey Club has sixty members, who have evinced a lively interest in the game. The Crystal Rink was hired for each Monday evening from ten to eleven o'clock, and Thursday evenings from 6.45 to 7.45 ; alternate nights were used for practices and for the Tournament matches. The Tournament between four teams playing twelve matches, ended in a tie for both first and second places, the final matches not being played off owing to the close of the season. The finances show a balance on hand of $13 50.

GYMNASIUM WORK.—The attendance at the classes has been somewhat smaller than usual, due partly to the smaller number of new members joining the Association last year, and the exceptionally fine Fall, Winter and early Spring, which attracted the members to outdoor exercise. We hope that more of our members will appreciate the value of systematic exercise, which may be carried on under such careful supervision and advice as is given by our Physical Director.

	Total.	No. of Classes.	Average.
Advanced Class.....	333	62	5
Intermediate.....	907	65	14
Elementary.....	886	58	15
Junior.....	1839	65	28
Students.....	1095	56	19
Business Men.....	1017	57	17
Boys	4202	97	43
Pastors.....	292	42	7
	10571	502	

The Championships of the Association were won as follows:—

Swimming, H. Sharpe, 438 points.
Athletics, (Pentathlon) L. Cushing, 355 points.
Gymnastics, A. E. Smaill, 82%
All-Round Champion, A. E. Smaill, 720 out of a possible 1100.

SNOW-SHOE CLUB.—The Snow-Shoe Club reports a very poor season owing to lack of interest in the sport. A number of tramps were held with very small attendance.

BOWLING CLUB.—The Bowling Club report only a fair season. The finances are in excellent condition, leaving a balance of $16.98. No tournament or matches with outside clubs were held. The Club record with much regret the death of their Honorary President, R. C. Kirkpatrick, M.D.

PERMANENT CAMP COMMITTEE.—This Committee has charge of the property of the Summer Camp at Lake St. Joseph. Two islands of those under lease have been purchased from the Government, and a substantial log kitchen and ice-house have been built thereon at a cost of $75.00. Blankets and tents have been purchased at a cost of about one hundred dollars. The fishing rights of the adjoining Lake St. Mary have been leased for ten years. During the Fall and Winter, plans were made for the erection of a log cabin 40 x 22 feet, with a large open fire-place. The contracts were let this Spring for the sum of $450.00, and active canvas has been made among the members, directors, and friends of those interested in the Camp, and $350 has been subscribed. The outlook for the coming season is very bright. With a permanent and comfortable residence in addition to the tents, with good fishing, and improved transportation, it is scarcely possible to find a more desirable Summer resort for young men.

CURRENT CAMP COMMITTEE.—This Committee is appointed by the Permanent Camp Committee each season to take charge of the Summer Camp. Last year 48 different men attended the Camp during the Summer season, the average length of stay being

fourteen days. Finances show expenses $593.53, receipts $628.77, leaving a balance on hand of $35.24. In addition to the regular Summer Camp, two different parties used the Camp, the first on the Queen's Birthday and the second for ten days in September. These parties numbered seven and eight members. Junior Camp was held during the first two weeks in July with an attendance of 24. During the winter, several reunions and receptions have been held by the Campers.

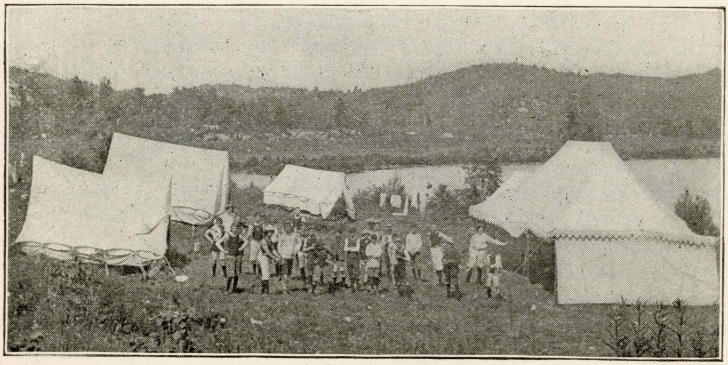
GYMNASTIC EXHIBITIONS.—The Exhibition arranged for by last year's Committee, and which was held during the month of May, 1897, in the Windsor Hall, was a successful entertainment, although the receipts did not cover the expenditure.

FIELD DAY.—Field Day was held on the M.A.A.A. Grounds on Thursday, 23rd day of September, and was more successful than the previous year The finances show a surplus of some $30.00. The Committee has, this year, determined to hold it if possible on a Saturday afternoon in September, and an application has been made for the use of the M.A.A.A. grounds.

The number of physical examinations made have been 291 Seniors and 85 Juniors. Doctors W. H. Drummond, D. J. Evans, and W. F. Hamilton rendering efficient and much valued assistance.

We would respectfully call the attention of the Directors to the urgent need of having the promised examination rooms in order for the use of the Doctors next September, and that the floor of the Gymnasium be put into proper condition. Some method of ventilating the Locker-Rooms and Gymnasium is urgently needed.

JOHN W. ROSS,
Chairman.



JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

The work of the Junior Department has been carried on very satisfactorily during the past year, considering the heavy drafts that have been made upon the time of the Secretary. The Committee feel very strongly that, in order to accomplish good results, the Department requires the full time of a Junior Secretary. This is a strategic point in the work of the Association, and it is manifestly impossible to carry it to any successful issue, when the Secretary is only allowed to spend a limited portion of his time in connection with it. The committee fully appreciate the difficulties under which the Association labours, and the heavy stress of work at certain times of the year, but feel very keenly the fact that at the most critical periods of the year, in the fall the holiday season, and the early spring, the time of the Junior Secretary is entirely taken up with Senior work. In this way the most valuable opportunities are lost, as the Secretary is the one who comes most into contact with the boys and forms the connecting link between them and the Association.

The membership shows a falling off as compared with last year, due partly to the fact that many who joined at the time of the membership contest, failed to renew. The present membership is 157, as compared with 210 at the corresponding time last year, and is made up as follows :—

Renewals	65
New Members	92

Seventeen members renewed in the Seniors.

The Friday night meeting has been held regularly as usual, with an average attendance of 35 during the season, and 8 during July and August. In addition to this a training class has been held on Sunday afternoons at 4.30, with an average attendance of 6. A service of song has been held by the boys on the first Sunday of each month, at the General Hospital, with special services at Christmas and Easter. In this connection, we would suggest that a boys' Glee-club be added to the Educational work next year, with a competent instructor, as we feel that it would prove of great value to the boys and would be greatly appreciated.

The Library this year was thoroughly overhauled, and a new partition put up around it, which has enabled us to keep the books in much better shape. 115 new books were added, and as evidence of the interest taken in this branch of the work, it may be mentioned that since Jan. 21st, 630 books have been taken out by 99 different readers, or an average of about 6 books per reader for 3 months. There are now 694 books in the library, representing about 40 authors, and 14 magazines on file in the reading-room.

The social events have comprised an opening social on Nov. 4th, when the entertainment and refreshments were provided by the young people of Erskine Church, a limelight lecture on the "Honey bee and his relations", on Dec. 6th, by Mr. C. T. Williams, and the annual spring social on 28th April, all of which were well attended and proved very enjoyable.

The Summer Camp has now become one of the recognized features of the work and last year proved as popular as ever. The Secretary and 24 boys were out for two weeks from June 25th to July 9th, and it not only makes a capital holiday, but creates a very

pleasant social feeling between the boys who go. A reunion of the Campers was held on Jan. 10th, when an excellent menu was discussed and a Camp-fire held in the game-room.

The interest in the Athletic work has been well sustained and the classes held regularly, with an average attendance of 43 in the School-boy's classes and of 28 in the evening classes for the working-boys.

The most notable event in the past season, however, was the reorganization of the Department on somewhat different lines from those in use heretofore. The Executive Committee felt that the boys would take greater interest in the work if allowed to elect their own officers and committees among themselves. The question was very carefully considered, and finally a meeting of the members was called and the plan fully explained to them. It proved very popular, and at an adjourned meeting the officers and chairmen of the various committees were elected, and the boys themselves now conduct the business of the Department, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, who still control the work and are represented on the various committees.

The plan has only been in operation a couple of months but gives every evidence of being a success, and the Committee hopes that it will not only interest the boys, but prove of value to them as a training in business methods and committee work. A post-card monthly is now issued giving all the notices and items of interest in connection with the Department.

W. E. CUSHING,
Chairman.

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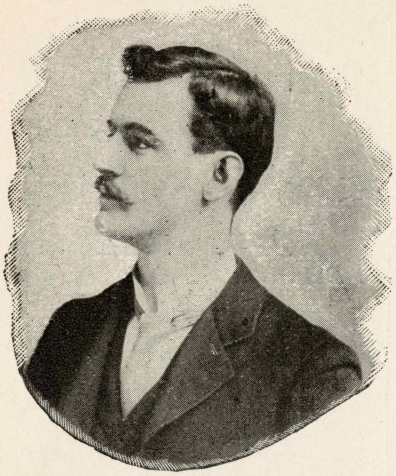

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